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TODAY: TREASURER SHAWN WOODEN VISITS FEMA MOBILE VACCINATION SITE IN DANBURY TO APPLAUD JOINT EFFORTS TO HELP CLOSE THE VACCINE EQUITY GAP

TREASURER WOODEN CONTINUES TO USE HIS VOICE TO COMBAT VACCINE HESITANCY AMONG COMMUNITIES OF COLOR

Danbury, CT - Today, Tuesday, April 27, 2021, Connecticut State Treasurer, Shawn T. Wooden will visit a FEMA Mobile Vaccination Site in Danbury to thank FEMA, the Connecticut National Guard, the Danbury delegation, city leaders and our healthcare partners for working to ensure members of high-risk communities, including communities of color get vaccinated. The FEMA Mobile Vaccination Site has been deployed to Connecticut to target communities based on the social vulnerability index. The virus has had a disproportionate and devastating effect on communities of color, and recent data illustrates how Connecticut is still not hitting its equity allocation goals. The recent pause, followed by the announcement from the CDC and the FDA, to advise vaccine providers to start offering the Johnson & Johnson vaccine again, has caused vaccine hesitancy to reemerge as an impediment to the urgency in many people getting vaccinated. As the only Black statewide elected official, Treasurer Wooden is continuing to use his voice to combat vaccine hesitancy among communities of color, and to encourage local and state leaders to go into socially vulnerable communities and help close the vaccine equity gap. Treasurer Wooden will be joined by State Representative Raghib Allie-Brennan, Mayor Joseph Cavo of Danbury and John Field, Region 5 Coordinator for CT Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security.

Media planning to attend can RSVP to Michelle.Woods-Matthews@ct.gov.

WHO:

- Treasurer Shawn Wooden
- State Representative Raghib Allie-Brennan
- Mayor Joseph M. Cavo of Danbury
- John Field, Region 5 Coordinator for CT Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security

WHAT: Visit FEMA Mobile Vaccination Unit in Danbury

WHEN: Tuesday, April 27, 2021; 12:30 p.m.

WHERE: 1 Patriot Drive, Danbury, CT 06810

Please note: Remarks will follow the site visit. We ask that everyone in attendance maintain 6ft. per social distancing guidelines and wears a mask.

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